City of Grimes GRIMES NOWS LETTER SEPTEMBER 2018

★ HAPPY **★** LABOR DAY

All City Offices will be closed Sept. 3rd

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PARK PROJECTS

Inspiration-Desire-Dream

1st Street/Hwy 44 Trail Connection-Contractors are working on this trail connection from Gateway Drive going east under Hwy 141. This project should be done by this fall.

North Sports Complex- Parks and Public Works Departments have worked on several projects there including fixing the broken tile on the soccer/football fields, adding a connecting trail from the bridge to the rest of the trail for direct access to the school, and pouring concrete pads inside the batting cages and outside of them for ag-lime storage.

Kennybrook South Park- located on the west side of Grimes is close to completion and opening to the public. The Public Works Dept is finishing up the sand volleyball court and grading. Seeding will be postponed a few weeks due to dry conditions. A celebration will be held on Sept. 19 at the park.

Parks and Recreation Department

Fall Program Registration has started including Flag Football, Youth Volleyball, Indoor Soccer, Kids Create Art Classes, Yoga, Boot Camp, Sand Volleyball, and more coming

Adult Co-Ed Sand Volleyball Leagues-Sundays, September 9- October 14 Beginners Flag Football at Lions Park-

Runs Mondays, September 10- October 8

NEW! "Kids Create" Art Classes- Sept.

26, 30, More in October, Ages 4-8, Various dates online and held at the GCC.

Gym/Batting Cage Rental at the GCC-

Those wanting to rent the gym/batting cage from May-September can now call in and pay by phone Mon-Fri between 8-5pm. Or stop in during that time to reserve. Online will start back up on October 1.



To order please visit the Mid-American Energy's website, click on the link for Grimes and follow the instructions on the order form. Prepayment and advance orders are required. Once trees are sold out, order forms will no longer be accepted. Trees must be picked up Wednesday October 10th, 2018 from 5:30-7:00pm st the Grimes South Sports Complex. Cost is \$60 for two trees. \$30 for one tree. Max 2 per family. Pay by check only to Grimes Park and Rec.

Rechargeable Batteries: Not Your Regular Trash

Rechargeable batteries are not regular trash. The lithium inside that makes them rechargeable can ignite on contact with humid air.

If you've ever stepped outside during an Iowa summer, you know we are dripping with humidity! When trash is collected at your curb and brought to the landfill, it is compressed several times by heavy machinery.

If a rechargeable battery is in your trash, as soon as the outer shell is cracked from being run over, it can ignite on contact with humid air. This could cause the

battery, along with the trash around it, to catch fire.

Rechargeable batteries can be recycled and are accepted at hazardous waste facilities for free. You can bring in just the battery or the device for recycling. Alkaline batteries,



which are not hazardous and considered one-time use, are accepted for \$1 per pound for recycling.

When your rechargeable batteries stop giving you a charge, don't throw them in the trash! <u>Drop them off</u> at a hazardous waste drop-off or schedule a house-side collection (only available in select cities).

For more information about safe, smart disposal and recycling options, visit <u>www.WhereItShouldGo.com</u> or call 515.244.0021.





Red Cross Babysitting Course at Grimes Public Library-

September 29th 9am- 3:30pm \$35 class fee and registration required

This course gives youth ages 11 to 15 years old the knowledge and confidence

to care for infants and school-age children. Combining video, activities,

hands-on skills training and discussion for a complete learning experience.

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month. Stop by Grimes Public Library and get your free card today!

Get Fit Grimes-

Grimes Public Library is hosting its first Get Fit Grimes Step Challenge Sept 5th-October 8th. Sign up at the Library or online, receive a free

pedometer, and get counting! More info at www.grimes.lib.ia.us/get-fit-grimes/



Part-Time GCC Facility Assistants- During school year, hours are few weekdays from 3:30-5:30pm or as needed. Greeting/Assisting people entering the GCC. Routine cleaning of rooms (trash, vacuum, dust) and helping set up tables/chairs for evening or weekend activities. Must be responsible and dependable and have ability to work on your own. Wages start at \$8.50-\$9.25/hr.

Part-time Program Assistants- Assist Program Supervisor in setting up/cleaning up from sports/programs, keeping score, etc for Youth Flag Football (Aug-Oct), Youth Volleyball (Sept-Oct), Youth Basketball (Dec/Jan), Adult Indoor Volleyball (Nov/Dec), Adult Men's Basketball (Jan-March). Assistants can be hired seasonally per program. Wage starts at \$8.50-\$9/hr.

Adult or Youth Program Supervisors- Looking for adults who can set-up and close-up after the programs. Adult programming is on Wednesdays from 6-9pm (Includes CoEd VBall from Nov-Dec and Men's Basketball from Jan-March). Pay is \$15/hr. Youth programming includes Saturday morning and afternoon basketball in December and January. Ages 4-5 Basketball on Sunday afternoons from 3-6pm in January-February. Pay is \$12/hr for youth programming.